



Patricia Jursik *Update*

8th District Milwaukee County Supervisor Patricia Jursik
901 N. 9th Street, Courthouse RM 201, Milwaukee, WI 53233
Phone: 414-278-4231 Fax: 414-223-1380
E-mail: patricia.jursik@milwcnty.com
Website: <http://www.milwaukee.gov/Jursik>



June
2012
E-NEWS

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Economic & Community Development, Chair

Finance, Personnel & Audit

Transportation, Public Works & Transit

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Lake Parkway Extension Advisory Committee, Chair

Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Governing Board

Milwaukee Art Museum, Trustee

Milwaukee County Federated Library System, Trustee

Milwaukee Gateway Aerotropolis Corporation

6th Annual Pedal in the Park with Pat

Bring a bicycle and helmet to join me on my bike ride, Pedal in the Park with Pat. We depart Sheridan Pavilion ([Area 1](#)) on Thursday, June 14, at 6 pm. We will cycle along the Oak Leaf Trail to Grant Park and return in time for an outdoor concert at 6:30 pm.



Bluegrass at Sheridan Park

Enjoy a FREE concert by the Bluegrass Allstars on Thursday, June 14, at 6:30 pm. Feel



free to plop down a picnic blanket or lawn chair on the grass east of Sheridan Pavilion ([Area 1](#)). Dan Nimphius and friends will regale you with favorite tunes on the banjo, fiddle, mandolin, guitar and bass. The Sheridan Park Friends will sell light refreshments.

Old Soul and Funk at Grant Park

Enjoy a FREE concert on Thursday, June 28, at 6:30 pm at Grant Park's Brown Pavilion ([Area 5A](#)). Pretty Grimm Band will perform and the Friends of Mill Pond & Oak Creek Watercourse will sell refreshments.

Find the complete schedule of FREE music in the parks [here](#). Thanks to the Parks Department for sponsoring these concerts!



Explore the Oak Leaf Trail

Rediscover the Oak Leaf Trail! The Oak Leaf Discovery Tour runs from June 2 to September 11, 2012. If you purchase a passport (to benefit the Oak Leaf Trail), you can collect "stamps" from 14 locations along the Trail. Once you collect at least eight stamps and register your passport, you are eligible to win prizes at a September 15 concert at Estabrook Park. This program aims to encourage family exploration, healthy recreation and awareness of the history of our parks, cultural opportunities and natural beauty. For details, click [here](#).

Lake Parkway



Per the 2010 request of South Shore communities and the County Board, the planning agency SEWRPC analyzed extending the Lake Parkway (794). A study committee listened to public input and recommended an [extension](#) to Highway 100 in Oak Creek. The County Board is [now asking](#) that SEWRPC add the extension to the regional transportation plan and that WisDOT conduct preliminary engineering and environmental impact studies for the project.

Strategic Plan Progress Report

Having served as Chair of the Long Range Strategic Plan Steering Committee of Milwaukee County during the previous term, I continue to monitor the progress of three significant issues that both the Committee and the County Board, by a super-majority vote, placed into action last year. This update is a progress report on the status of this implementation. For the full resolutions, click here: [Human Resources & Financial Planning with MuniCast](#); [Facilities Plan](#).

Goal 1: Redesign and modernize the function of human resources

With the leadership of new Human Resources Director Kerry Mitchell, this policy is in progress and has her strong support for implementation. Since Act 10 changed so many personnel policies, it is imperative that the County modernize its workforce rules. A thorough review of existing personnel policies and procedures has been undertaken. The addition of Mr. Richard Ceschin as Deputy Director and his knowledge of County government should prove to be a positive step in accomplishing these strategic goals.

Grade: Good Progress

Goal 2: Use the Muncast 5 year forecasting model to address the county's structural deficit

The County successfully ran the forecast model last year to review the structural deficit. With the help of this forecasting tool, policy makers were able to develop budget assumptions to control the rising cost of health care and identify a benchmark for controlling costs. The newly elected Comptroller, Scott Manske, a veteran of County government, remains committed to using this forecasting model and providing quarterly reports to the Board.

Grade: Good Progress

Goal 3: Conduct a comprehensive facilities and space needs plan

Last year, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued to determine the cost of using an outside consultant to conduct a comprehensive inventory of space and facilities. The successful bidder for this RFP itemized a cost of \$450,000 to complete this work. While County government has tremendously downsized the workforce, the space needs have not been reduced to reflect this reality. After the County Executive failed to include money in the budget, the County Board adopted an amendment to ensure that this important initiative be implemented. Unfortunately, this facilities plan has stalled under the leadership of the County Executive and the Department of Administrative Services Director. To date, the work has not been initiated. It was recently reported that, due to these delays, the information will not be available in time for planning the 2013 budget.

Grade: Lack of Progress

While I am pleased that two out of the three initiatives are making good progress, it is particularly troublesome that the facilities initiative has been stalled. I call on the County Executive to take a more proactive leadership role in getting this plan implemented. Unfortunately, it will probably take another year before this planning can be implemented.

Committee Consolidation

I serve on the newly streamlined Committee on Finance, Personnel & Audit. This merger of the former Finance & Audit Committee with the Personnel Committee will provide oversight of personnel and fiscal matters, eliminate duplication of advisors testifying before two committees – thus saving money – and allow better control of final offers in contract negotiations.

Airport Runway Improvements

Pavement repair and Runway Safety Area (RSA) construction projects have started. This influences runway utilization. Consequently, some areas around the Airport will experience more air traffic than usual.

In 2011, the majority of aircraft activity occurred on the north-south runway to accommodate runway safety improvements on the east-west runway. This year, the north-south runway is closed for the 2012 construction season to comply with FAA mandated runway safety projects.

General Mitchell International Airport's main north-south runway will be closed until August 20, 2012. Additionally, the main east-west runway will be closed each weekend to accommodate runway intersection pavement repair on Saturday evenings from 11:30 pm into Sunday morning at 6:00 am and Sundays at midnight into Monday mornings at 5:00 am.

These important safety related construction projects will influence runway utilization and consequently temporarily change air traffic patterns over our community. An explanation of the RSA projects can be found [here](#).

Pipeline at Airport

The fuel line at General Mitchell International Airport was closed due to a jet fuel leak. Shell Oil Company owns this pipeline which is used to convey fuel to the airlines. Shell, under review by the Federal Government, has been cleaning up this leak. The entire pipeline is closed during this work.

A portion of the spill escaped Airport property and went into the Kinnickinnic watershed to the north and west of the Airport. Of that amount, much was recovered by environmental crews. The actual fuel tank is located on College Avenue in Oak Creek. The entire pipeline that runs from this fuel tank to the Airport travels along part of the east border of the Airport and then under runways to the terminal area where airplanes are refueled. Interestingly, the tank itself and part of the pipeline are located in the Oak Creek Watershed. The Airport informs us that no fuel leaks were found in the Oak Creek watershed. The cleanup and full inspection, including camera inspections of the full fuel line, have been completed and any concerns addressed.

During this interim period, fuel tankers fill and carry fuel to airlines instead of using the pipeline itself. During initial response efforts, the primary north/south runway was closed (and now is closed through August 20 for the RSA project mentioned above). Work will continue on the pipeline in June, with testing scheduled for early July. Shell anticipates reopening the pipeline by mid-July.

I-794 to I-94 Westbound Connection

The connection from I-794 to the Marquette Interchange to proceed westbound on I-94 has been reduced to one lane. In early June, traffic from the north and south will also receive one dedicated lane entering the Marquette Interchange to travel westbound on I-94. Overnight, from June 15 to 16, the lanes from the lakefront will be reconfigured.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is implementing these changes to more safely control the flow of traffic. WisDOT is trying to minimize automobiles weaving between lanes. This change also improves visibility by eliminating a horizontal curve confronting drivers upon entering from Lincoln Memorial Drive. Additionally, the

dedicated lanes will decrease congestion on I-43 and reduce accidents near Marquette University as automobiles from the south traveled west and hit the breaks in the curve.

While many of us are concerned about the traffic being reduced to a single lane, WisDOT has studied traffic volumes and found that this change is feasible. Please visit a [summary](#) and [FAQs](#) as well as [Marquette westbound](#) and [I-794 to Marquette](#) maps.

Great Dads Make a Difference!

Milwaukee County has been awarded more than \$5 million in a Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood federal grant. This program helps noncustodial fathers improve their parenting skills and gain employment opportunities.

For more information about Pathways to Responsible Fatherhood, please call or visit the following community providers:

My Father's House
4900 W. Fond du Lac Avenue, Milwaukee
414-444-8026

UMOS, Inc.
2701 S. Chase Avenue, Milwaukee
414-389-6234

Community Advocates
728 N. James Lovell Street, Milwaukee
414-334-1455

Milwaukee County Courthouse
901 N. 9th Street, Room 101, Milwaukee
414-278-5022

YWCA
1915 N. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Milwaukee
414-267-3963

Super South Shore Volunteer Recognized

Outstanding volunteer Mary Ann Ganny of Cudahy was honored with induction into the Milwaukee County Senior Hall of Fame in May. Mary Ann volunteers for numerous community organizations, particularly donating her time to educational projects. She



County Executive Chris Abele and I congratulated Mary Ann on her achievement.

has imparted her knowledge of the arts by providing extensive visitor services and office assistance at the Milwaukee Art Museum and through decades of ushering at area theaters. Mary Ann shares her love of culture, history and culinary skills through active participation in the Milwaukee Ladies of UNICO, having assisted at Festa Italiana; the Holiday Folk Fair; the Taste of Italy annual event; and Student Cultural Day at the Italian Community Center. Mary Ann helps individuals in need and supports civic projects by

knitting hats, scarves and mittens for needy children; collecting food for people who are hungry; and participating in the Milwaukee UNICO Ladies' Community Projects Committee. Mary Ann exemplifies UNICO's mission of "service above self" and is recognized by her peers for donating her time to help people she does not even know.

Community Calendar

Saturday, June 2 – Kick Off 105 Days of Summer, 11am-4pm

Celebrate 105 years of parks in Milwaukee County with activities all summer long! Kick off this milestone with live music, dancing, history by John Gurda, Door County sled dogs, youth activities and more! At McKinley Park, 1750 Lincoln Memorial Drive, Milwaukee.

<http://parkpeoplemke.org/summer/105-days-summer>

Monday, June 4 – Be Red Cross Ready, 1pm

Presented by the Red Cross at Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. The tornado and severe thunderstorm season has arrived. Disasters can strike suddenly, but you can take actions to make a difference. Please register for this free event by calling 481-9611

Tuesdays, starting June 5 or Thursdays, starting June 7 – NIA (No Impact Aerobics), 9-10am

Engage in cardiovascular aerobic exercise and whole-body conditioning; a creative and flexible fitness program. At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. \$15 fee for 3 weeks.

Thursdays, starting June 7 – Gentle Yoga, 10:30-11:45am

Improve balance and concentration while reducing stress! The class includes gentle stretching and breathing exercises. Gentle yoga is safe for all ages and body types, with adaptations to challenge all participants. At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. \$15 fee for 3 weeks. www.interfaithmilw.org/fun

Thursdays, starting June 7 – Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program, 1-2pm

The AFEP is designed for individuals with arthritis. Participants move every joint through their range of motion and build muscles to support weak joints by using therabands, weights and safe strength building exercises. Balance and aerobic activities are included. At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. \$6 fee for 3 weeks. www.interfaithmilw.org/fun

Thursday Nights in June – [Cudahy Movie Nights](#)

7pm: Residents may bring blankets, lawn chairs and refreshments. Dusk: Movies begin in Cudahy Park, 3000 East Ramsey (with rain location: General Mitchell Elementary gym)
June 7: ET; June 14: Cars 2; June 21: The Muppets; June 28: Grease

Tuesday, June 12 – Friends of Mill Pond meeting, 6:30pm

At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Av, South Milwaukee. 571-1191

Thursday, June 14 – Sheridan Park concert: [Bluegrass Allstars](#), 6:30-8:30pm

Join Cudahy's own Dan Nimphius and friends for virtuoso picking! At Sheridan Park Area 1. Sponsored by Milwaukee County Parks.

Thursday, June 14 – Grant Park Watch & Friends of Grant Park combined meeting,

6:30pm At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 Hawthorne Av, South Milwaukee. Park Watch: 764-7262 and Friends of Grant Park: 764-0612 www.fogp.org

Sunday, June 17 – Father's Day at the Zoo, 9am-5pm

All dads receive free admission to the Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 West Blue Mound Road, Milwaukee. www.milwaukeezoo.org 256-5466

Thursday, June 21 – Summer Celebration Lunch at Kelly Senior Center, 11am-1:15pm

Enjoy a summer picnic in Kelly's backyard garden, in collaboration with the Senior Meal Program. Fee: \$2.50 Age 60+, \$6 Age 50-59. Preregistration at 483-3532 is required. At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. 481-9611 www.interfaithmilw.org/fun

Thursday, June 21 – Memory Chargers-Staying Healthy, 10-11am

Improve your brain health through games, puzzles and conversation. New participants are always welcome! At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. www.interfaithmilw.org/fun

Thursday, June 21 –

Lake FM Summerfest Ticket Giveaway at South Milwaukee Downtown Market, 3-5pm The radio station 94.5 Lake FM does a live remote from the Market and gives away a four-pack of tickets every five minutes for two hours. You must be present to win.

Ron Plevak concert at South Milwaukee Downtown Market, 5-7pm

South Milwaukee's Ron Plevak delivers Johnny Cash-style tunes on acoustic guitar. At 11th and Milwaukee Avenues, South Milwaukee. www.smmarket.org

Friday, June 22 – Crime Prevention, 10am

Presented by Cudahy Police Department. Find out what you can do to protect yourself and your home. Learn practical tips that will help you feel more safe and secure. At Kelly Senior Center, 6100 S. Lake Dr., Cudahy. 481-9611 www.interfaithmilw.org/fun

Wednesday, June 27 – Cudahy Neighborhood Watch meeting, 6pm

At Cudahy Family Library, 3500 Library Dr., Cudahy. 414-324-5531

Thursday, 28 – County Board Meeting, 9:30am At Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 200

Thursday, June 28 - Grant Park concert: [Pretty Grimm Band](#), 6:30-8:30pm

Enjoy FREE old soul and funk music at Grant Park, Area #5 (Brown Pavilion). Friends of Mill Pond will sell refreshments. Sponsored by Milwaukee County Parks.

.....
Ongoing Summer Activities:

South Milwaukee Downtown Market, Thursdays, 3-7pm

Including local farmers, restaurants, artisans, music and picnic tables. At 11th and Milwaukee Avenues, downtown South Milwaukee. www.smmarket.org

FREE concerts in Milwaukee County Parks

Complete schedule: <http://county.milwaukee.gov/ConcertsintheParks11320.htm>

Adventure Dinosaur! – Through September 3 Take a prehistoric adventure amid a tropical habitat to uncover many dynamic dinosaur species that inhabited our land 150 million years ago. Entry fee of \$2.50 per person to this special exhibit (separate from regular Zoo rates). At the Milwaukee County Zoo, 10001 West Blue Mound Road, Milwaukee. www.milwaukeezoo.org 256-5466

Outdoor Pools *Regular outdoor pools opening June 16!*

Sheridan Pool 4800 S. Lake Dr, Cudahy, 747-9491

Grobschmidt Pool 2600 16th Av, South Milwaukee, 762-4919

Open Daily, 12:30-4:30 pm, weather permitting

Evening swim:

Sheridan: Mondays & Wednesday, 5:30-7:30pm

Grobschmidt: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 5:30-7:30pm

Daily outdoor pool rate: \$1 (Age 3-11), \$2 (Age 12+)

Summer outdoor pool passes: available at outdoor pools for \$10 (Age 11 and under) or \$20 (Age 12+) for use at most outdoor pools

FREE Wading Pools *Open daily, weather and attendance permitting*

Pulaski-Cudahy Wader *Opening June 16!*

open 1-5 pm 5400 S. Swift Av, Cudahy

Greene Park Wader *Opening June 26!*

open 1-5 pm 4235 S. Lipton Av, St. Francis

<http://county.milwaukee.gov/Parks>

Pool hotline: (414) 257-7230

Visit **Grant Golf Course** at 100 E. Hawthorne Av, South Milwaukee, 762-4646

Visit **Warnimont Golf Course** at 5400 S. Lake Dr, Cudahy, 481-4730

Check out Golf Specials at www.milwaukeecountygolfcourses.com

Fish Fry at the Course – Fridays thru Labor Day, 4-8pm Adults eat for \$9.25 while kids 12 and under eat for \$4.25, enjoying baked or fried cod, cole slaw, rye bread, french fries or parsley buttered potatoes and a cookie. At Grant Park Clubhouse, 100 E. Hawthorne Av, South Milwaukee. 762-4817